PRACTICAL FRATERNALISM

Pamphlet #5

Why?

A Fraternity is an association of Men and Women brought together to exercise the qualities and characteristics of brotherhood. The Improved Order of Red Men and its affiliate the Degree of Pocahontas as a Fraternity, attempts to demonstrate that Fraternity means something finer than the mere meeting for social purposes. American men and women, bound together by the inseparable ties of Fraternity with others, can actively promote the spread of American truths and act as a bulwark against the onslaughts that endanger the American way of living.

Practical Benefits

Yet, there is another aspect of Fraternity —no less real—which makes their association of great personal importance. They have an opportunity to participate in a system of benefits, operated at minimum cost to the members and providing sound protection for their families.

When we interest a paleface in our Order, we are in a sense acting as our "brother's keeper." We are enabling them to establish a widow's aid and orphan's estate for their loved ones. We are making it possible to lessen the burden of suffering and want by aiding them to leave behind something substantial and not merely a memory. Not only should the beneficial system of the Order be stressed to the paleface but those Tribes and Councils not operating and working under our beneficial system should investigate these many outstanding features with the object in view of adopting them as a part of their activities.

Contact Importance

Of no less importance, is the attention that should be given to those members who are about to be suspended. Due to the stress of economic conditions which call upon many members to remain on their jobs for many long and weary hours, it is an easy matter to forget and lose contact with their Order. The improvement of working conditions will find these members eager to once more establish their contacts and will grasp the hand of welcome when extended to them. This is the time when a definite and enthusiastic delinquent committee can render an outstanding service to their Tribe and Council and the members by a personal call which will prevent the termination of their membership. Every member should cooperate with the stump Chiefs in this regard. A program of mutual cooperation and personal contact will make our objective "no suspensions during this term" a reality.

We are confident that the splendid record of adoptions of the past year will continue this Great Sun. We have every belief that this term will be even more successful, than our Great Chiefs may anticipate. Your continued support is welcome and we trust you will extend your sincere and whole hearted cooperation. We look forward for a banner year in Redmanship, in both branches of our Order.

This is our

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